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9	NORTHERN DISTR	RICT OF CALIFORNIA
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11	JOSE RAMIREZ, LUIS GOMEZ, and MARCK MENA ORTEGA on behalf of	CASE NO. 3:12-cv-04590
12	themselves and all other persons similarly situated,	DECLARATION OF AN NGUYEN RUDA IN SUPPORT OF DEFENDANT GHILOTT
13	Plaintiffs,	BROS., INC.'S OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR
14	V.	CONDITIONAL CERTIFICATION OF COLLECTIVE ACTION
15		Judge: Hon. Charles R. Breyer
16	GHILOTTI BROS, INC., a corporation; GHILOTTI BROTHERS CONSTRUCTION, INC., a corporation, and DOES 1 through 50,	Date: March 29, 2013 Time: 10:00 A.M.
17	inclusive,	Crtrm: 6, 17th Floor
18	Defendants.	
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DECLARATION OF AN NGUYEN RUDA

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### **DECLARATION OF AN NGUYEN RUDA**

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I, An Nguyen Ruda, do hereby declare and state as follows:

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1. I am an attorney duly licensed to practice law before all courts of the State of California. I am a partner of the law firm of Jeffer Mangels Butler & Mitchell LLP, attorneys of record for Defendant Ghilotti Bros., Inc. ("GBI") in the above-entitled matter. I have personal knowledge of what is stated in this declaration and, if called upon to testify, I could and would

2. On December 11, 2012, I was present and defended Michael Mario Ghilotti in his

capacity as Person Most Knowledgeable for GBI, which deposition was transcribed by Mary E.

Garland (C.S.R. No. 4721) of Capital Reporting Company. True and correct copies of the transcript

of that deposition, specifically pages 17:3-23; 118:2-119:3; 145:2-17; 146:17-148:9; 167:17-23;

and 190:20-193:14, the cover page, and the court reporter's certificate are attached hereto as Exhibit

3. On December 20, 2012, I conducted the deposition of Plaintiff Jose Ramirez, which deposition was transcribed by Coal Corey (C.S.R. No. 10699) of Atkinson-Baker Court Reporters, Inc. True and correct copies of the transcript of that deposition, specifically pages 37:15-38:6; and 112:22-113:14, the cover page, and the court reporter's certificate are attached hereto as Exhibit "B."

- 4. On December 20, 2012, I conducted the deposition of Plaintiff Marck Mena Ortega, which deposition was transcribed by Ora B. Kohn (C.S.R. No. 11933) of Atkinson-Baker Court Reporters, Inc. True and correct copies of the transcript of that deposition, specifically pages 132:1-133:7; 138:1-7; and 139:16-18, the cover page, and the court reporter's certificate are attached hereto as Exhibit "C."
- 5. On December 19, 2012, I conducted the deposition of Plaintiff Luis Gomez, which deposition was transcribed by Ora B. Kohn (C.S.R. No. 11933) of Atkinson-Baker Court Reporters, Inc. True and correct copies of the transcript of that deposition, specifically page 98:1-8, the cover page, and the court reporter's certificate are attached hereto as Exhibit "D."

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6. On February 25, 2013, I directed my associate Sean Gibbons to solicit a quote for third-party administration of an "opt-in" collective action using the estimates provided by Plaintiffs' counsel. Mr. Gibbons did so and presented me with a quote from KCC, LLC for two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00). A true and correct copy of the quote provided to me by Mr. Gibbons is attached hereto as Exhibit "E."

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America and the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct and that this Declaration was executed on this, the twenty-sixth day of February, 2013, at Los Angeles, California.

By: <u>/s/ An Nguyen Ruda</u> AN NGUYEN RUDA

# **EXHIBIT A**

### Capital Reporting Company

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

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No. C-12-4590-CRB

Plaintiffs,

vs.

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Defendants.

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VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION OF MICHAEL MARIO GHILOTTI

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DATE:

December 11, 2012

TIME:

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LOCATION:

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1	mean Ghilotti Bros., Inc.?	17 09:58:15
2	A. Yes.	09:58:16
3	Q. According to the first page of this website,	09:58:17
4	GBI employs over 275 individuals.	09:58:19
5	Is that accurate, or is the LinkedIn 200 or	09:58:25
6	less a better number at the present time?	09:58:30
7	A. At the present time, I'm not sure of what	09:58:34
8	exactly the number is. We have seasonal employees; it	09:58:38
9	varies from day to day.	09:58:43
10	Q. What's your best estimate of how many	09:58:45
11	employees are working for you as of last month,	09:58:48
12	November 2012?	09:58:52
13	A. Approximately 200.	09:58:54
14	Q. And when you mention the seasonal employees,	09:58:59
15	would that number go up or down in December?	09:59:04
16	A. It would go down.	09:59:07
17	Q. Are you including seasonal employees in the	09:59:09
18	estimate of 200?	09:59:12
19	A. Yes.	09:59:14
20	Q. Over the course of the past year, are you able	09:59:16
21	to estimate for me the highest number of employees you	09:59:24
22	had during 2012?	09:59:25
23	A. I believe that number would be close to 270.	09:59:27
24	Q. What month would that have been most likely to	09:59:38
25	have been in?	09:59:41

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1	the payroll department of your company.	01:52:54
2	A. And there's probably a different instance for	01:52:57
3	every job. There's some jobs where the project	01:53:00
4	management team is unique to that job, on a heavy	01:53:04
5	highway job; and the supervisor will take them in to	01:53:07
6	the trailer, and either he or the project team may	01:53:11
7	deliver the project documents to the main office.	01:53:15
8	There might be runners, there might be other employees	01:53:19
9	that take it from the job site to the office.	01:53:24
10	There's project managers and project engineers	01:53:29
11	that are working out of the main office. So they may	01:53:33
12	be delivered by the supervisor to them and then they	01:53:36
13	are walked in to operations. There's no steadfast	01:53:40
14	rule. It's a coordination issue between the supervisor	01:53:47
15	and the project management team.	01:53:50
16	Q. Now, can you tell me, on a given date,	01:53:53
17	approximately how many of these time cards would be	01:53:58
18	submitted to Ms. Wales for processing?	01:54:01
19	MS. RUDA: Overbroad as to scope and time.	01:54:04
20	THE WITNESS: On a daily basis, the number	01:54:10
21	could go from zero to 20, maybe 25.	01:54:12
22	BY MS. GRUNFELD:	01:54:18
23	Q. Because each time card represents a job for	01:54:19
24	that date; is that correct?	01:54:21
25	A. And may maybe there may be two time	01:54:23
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1	cards for a job, if there's more equipment, and	01:54:28
2	resources, and manpower that can fit on one time card;	01:54:31
3	but it varies from job to job and activity to activity.	01:54:36
4	Q. And what hours does Ms. Wales normally work?	01:54:41
5	A. I believe she's usually she's in there I	01:54:46
6	think she starts at seven. She usually works her shift	01:54:57
7	from seven, from Monday through Friday.	01:55:01
8	Q. Seven till when?	01:55:03
9	A. Well, I think she's you know, seven to	01:55:05
10	whatever the eight-hour day is. I don't I don't	01:55:07
11	specifically know her hours. I know that she's had	01:55:13
12	again, because of some injuries and some personal time	01:55:16
13	off, and, you know, operations and stuff, she's had	01:55:19
14	had a challenge	01:55:23
15	Q. And who does	01:55:24
16	A with regard to that.	01:55:25
17	Q. Yes. I'm sorry.	01:55:26
18	Who does she report to?	01:55:28
19	A. Dan Chin.	01:55:29
20	.Q. Does Dan Chin play any role in the actual	01:55:33
21	entry of the employee time into Timberline, to your	01:55:37
22	knowledge?	01:55:46
23	A. No. There may be an instance, once in a	01:55:46
24	while, that I think he has had to do the inputting	01:55:50
25	himself possibly. I don't know for sure. I know that	01:55:53

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1	to job sites.	145 02:44:13
2	A. So the method is that Ben Barrios starts	02:44:16
3	contacting supervisors in the morning to go over the	02:44:20
4	resources that they need for the following day on their	02:44:31
5	job. That communication takes place for several hours	02:44:36
6	in the morning. And at some point, Ben does his best	02:44:48
7	to compile a planning worksheet that we have discussed,	02:44:53
8	basically, in the AVD system, that incorporates those	02:45:02
9	needs and those resources.	02:45:07
10	At some point later on in the morning	02:45:11
11	mid-afternoon, actually, he communicates those requests	02:45:14
12	and does a general summary to a couple of the managers	02:45:22
13	most notably, Dominic Nuccio and then sometimes	02:45:28
14	communicates to people in charge of the equipment, and	02:45:36
15	goes through that review process, ultimately to arrive	02:45:45
16	at a final product, of which he finalizes and	02:45:50
17	disburses.	02:45:56
18	Q. And that product is the dispatch report that's	02:45:57
19	marked as Exhibit 9?	02:45:59
20	A. One of the products. The main product is the	02:46:01
21	time card that we have been talking about. This is a	02:46:05
22	byproduct of it that's used for managers. It's also	02:46:10
23	consistent with this is a summary version. The time	02:46:16
24	cards are the job-related dispatch.	02:46:20
25	Q. Now, when you say that Ben Barrios contacts	02:46:24

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1	supervisors in the morning, is that contact by	02:46:28
2	telephone, or e-mail, or both?	02:46:31
3	A. Mostly by telephone. I don't know that	02:46:33
4	there's much of any e-mail. Sometimes on specific	02:46:40
5	projects, a supervisor may fax in documents, requests	02:46:45
6	sometimes.	02:46:55
7	Q. And the communications you described in the	02:46:57
8	afternoon with Mr. Nuccio, are those by telephone, in	02:46:59
9	person, or e-mail typically?	02:47:04
10	A. They can typically either be by phone or in	02:47:08
11	person. I don't think there's any e-mail	02:47:11
12	communication.	02:47:14
13	Q. Now, according to Exhibit 9 I counted the	02:47:14
14	job numbers that are in the corner. Such as at the top	02:47:19
15	left, you have "9401." Do you see that?	02:47:24
16	. A. Yes.	02:47:27
17	Q. So I counted up, and for this particular day,	02:47:28
18	I counted 32 jobs, on November 13th, 2012.	02:47:31
19	And if you want to check that, you could, or	02:47:38
20	we could just say it's approximately 32. But would	02:47:42
21	that be a typical number of jobs for Ghilotti Bros., to	02:47:46
22	run on a particular day?	02:47:49
23	MS. RUDA: It's overbroad. It's vague and	02:48:24
24	ambiguous as to time.	02:48:27
25	THE WITNESS: Well, as best as I can tell,	02:48:56
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	. 1	there's 19 specific jobs. There's some jobs that have	147 02:48:58
	2	multiple dispatches.	02:49:04
	3	With relation to your question about the	02:49:07
	4	number of jobs, as we discussed before, it can range	02:49:10
	5	from zero to 25 to 30, and varies throughout the year	02:49:15
	6	with any a number in between.	02:49:24
	7	BY MS. GRUNFELD:	02:49:26
	8	Q. Just so you know, I asked for all of these	02:49:27
	9	documents to be produced, but this is the only one that	02:49:29
	10	was produced to me. So I need to ask you whether this	02:49:32
	11	is typical or not.	02:49:36
	12	A. This is, I would say, a higher level of	02:49:37
	13	activity than than the norm.	02:49:45
	14	Q. By what percentage?	02:49:48
	15	A. This would be in the 85 to 90 percent echelon,	02:49:50
	16	maybe 95.	02:49:58
	17	Q. And if you count 19 jobs here, does that mean	02:49:59
	18	there were 19 supervisors in the field?	02:50:09
	19	A. No.	02:50:11
	20	Q. How do you know how many supervisors are in	02:50:12
	21	the field on this date, November 13, 2012?	02:50:15
	22	A. Well, there's a way that you count up the	02:50:22
	23	number of supervisors by where their name is reflected	02:50:37
	24	in this list. The fact that a supervisor is out in the	02:50:41
	25	field doesn't mean that he's necessarily operating a	02:50:45
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	1	job. We have jobs where there's one lead supervisor.	148 02:50:48
Ì	2.	And a supervisor can be running equipment	02:50:50
	3	because his job is inactive, down because of weather,	02:50:53
	4	different issues. So the corresponding number between	02:50:58
	5	the number of jobs and the number of supervisors that	02:51:03
	6	are active doesn't it doesn't correlate. So you	02:51:06
	7	presumably, the most accurate way is to look through	02:51:13
	8	the dispatch and determine by visual inspection how	02:51:17
	9	many supervisors are active for that day.	02:51:23
۱	10	Q. And when you say "look through the dispatch,"	02:51:26
	11	do you mean Exhibit 9?	02:51:28
	12	A. Correct.	02:51:30
	13	Q. And when I see the name "Randy Davidson" in	02:51:31
	14	the first job listed, was he a supervisor on that date?	02:51:35
	15	A. I believe so.	02:51:43
	16	Q. And if I look to job number 11427, also on the	02:51:43
	17	first page, there's two names there, "Kevin Dern" and	02:51:48
	18	"James Jaye." Are they both supervisors?	02:51:52
	19	A. Kevin is a construction manager. James is a	02:51:56
	20	supervisor.	02:52:04
	21	Q. And looking below there, you see the name	02:52:05
	22	Plaintiff "Mark Ortega;" right?	02:52:08
	23	A. Right.	02:52:10
	24	Q. And so on this date, Mr. Ortega was assigned	02:52:12
	25	to drive flat truck 70; is that correct?	02:52:14

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	1	know, the big cabover trucks like I said, five-,	i
ĺ	2	seven-axle trucks and then transport trucks like we	03:27:07
	3	talked about here. So it's a combination of all	03:27:11
	4	different types.	03:27:13
	5	Q. But those larger trucks the five-, seven-	03:27:14
	6	axle, and transport would not be driven by the three	03:27:17
	7	plaintiffs in this case; is that correct?	03:27:22
l	8	A. Not likely, no. They they are typically	03:27:23
	9	restricted to just the teamsters.	03:27:26
	1.0	Q. Going back to the list, have we missed any	03:27:31
	11	kinds of trucks that Ghilotti Bros., owns currently?	03:27:35
ĺ	12	A. I think that's it.	03:27:44
l	13	Q. On any given end of a shift, are the trucks	03:27:45
	14	typically left at the work site, or are they brought	03:27:49
	15	back somewhere?	03:27:52
	16	MS. RUDA: Overbroad as to time and scope.	03:27:53
	17	THE WITNESS: Again, each specific job has its	03:27:57
	18	own relationship. And it can vary from job to job, and	03:28:00
	19	it can vary from day to day. It depends sometimes on	03:28:09
	20	whether or not resources from the yard are needed out	03:28:14
	21	on the job, whether or not material was hauled in or	03:28:17
	22	disposed of. These are arrangements that are done	03:28:25
	23	between the supervisor and his crew.	03:28:29
4	24	Sometimes equipment gets transported into the	03:28:35
	25	yard, including trucks, especially if it's got	03:28:38

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1	A. Yes.	190 04:17:07
2	Q. We've been talking quite a bit today about	04:17:08
3	some of these policies and procedures that are	04:17:15
4	reflected in topics 1 through 7 of the PMK notice,	04:17:17
5	which is Exhibit 3 to this deposition.	04:17:22
6	I had one additional question about topic 6,	04:17:29
7	which generally involves the assignment of trucks to	04:17:38
8	construction sites, and the times the trucks leave and	04:17:44
9	return to the yards.	04:17:47
10	And that is: Do the trucks is there any	04:17:49
11	system to check the odometers on the trucks to	04:17:56
12	determine how many miles they've been driven on a given	04:17:59
13	workday?	04:18:04
14	A. No, there's not.	04:18:05
15	Q. Have you ever discussed with your management	04:18:07
16	team instituting a process of looking at the odometers	04:18:19
17	on a daily basis to determine how far they've been	04:18:23
18	driven?	04:18:28
19	A. No.	04:18:28
20	Q. Now, are you aware that the three plaintiffs	04:18:29
21	in this lawsuit are claiming that they are required to	04:18:32
22	go to the yard before the official start time and pick	04:18:35
23	up trucks and drive them, before the official start	04:18:39
24	time of the shift?	04:18:44
25	A. I'm aware that they are claiming that they	04:18:49

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	1	haven't received compensation for the time that they	04:18:53
	2	put in to drive the vehicles, is my understanding.	04:18:55
	3	Q. Among other things, yes.	04:18:58
	4	And before this lawsuit was filed, did you	04:19:00
	5	ever discuss with your management team the claims that	04:19:04
	6	plaintiffs are making here, such as whether there	04:19:08
	7	should be compensation for the time that an employee	04:19:11
	8	goes to the yard to get the truck and drive it to the	04:19:14
	9	site?	04:19:18
	10	MS. RUDA: Vague and ambiguous.	04:19:20
	11	THE WITNESS: I'm trying to make sure I have	04:19:26
	12	the right timeline. So if you could repeat the	04:19:28
	13	question, it'd help, I guess.	04:19:31
	14	BY MS. GRUNFELD:	04:19:33
	15	Q. Sure. Earlier today we were discussing a	04:19:33
	16	memorandum that was sent out by Ms. Taylor in 2007.	04:19:35
	17	Obviously, that was prior to this lawsuit being filed.	04:19:39
	18	And maybe I'll just start with the memorandum.	04:19:45
	19	At the time that memorandum was issued, were	04:19:48
,	20	you discussing with your management team the issue of	04:19:51
	21	compensating employees for that pre-shift driving time?	04:19:57
	22	A. The conversations we had revolving around	04:20:09
	23	compensation were mainly with Stephanie Taylor and	04:20:12
	24	myself, and possibly Mike Llamas, but did not include,	04:20:16
	25	I don't believe, the full management team at all. It	04:20:24

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	1	was limited to those two, two people.	04:20:28
	2	Q. And was there an incident or an issue that	04:20:30
	3	caused you to discuss that issue?	04:20:33
	4	A. Well, I think that we came to the realization,	04:20:40
	5	as I mentioned earlier, that our attempt to be uniform	04:20:42
	6	and consistent actually continued an inconsistent	04:20:46
	7	approach, in the sense that we felt that drivers and	04:20:53
	8	supervisors weren't on the same page.	04:21:01
	9	Supervisors were compensating through other	04:21:04
	10	methods, possibly for compensation, and that was in	04:21:08
	11	addition to the compensation we were trying to provide	04:21:12
	12	under that procedure. So that was the nature of the	04:21:16
	13	discussions that we were having.	04:21:19
	14	Q. And were those back in 2007, when the memo	04:21:21
	15	issued?	04:21:24
	16	A. After that.	04:21:25
	17	Q. And I believe you testified earlier you don't	04:21:26
	18	recall how long after the date of the memo that you	04:21:29
11	19	were having those conversations?	04:21:31
	20	A. Correct.	04:21:33
	21	Q. And are you able to tell me what the upshot of	04:21:34
	22	those discussions was?	04:21:38
	23	MS. RUDA: Vague and ambiguous as to "upshot."	04:21:44
	24	THE WITNESS: Yeah, maybe you could be more	04:21:47
	25	specific on what you're asking.	04:21:49
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1	BY MS. GRUNFELD:	193 04:21:52
2	Q. Sure. You testified that that memo went out	04:21:52
3	and that it did not achieve your goal of consistent	04:21:55
4	compensation, and then there were further discussions	04:21:59
5	about it. And what I'm trying to understand is: What	04:22:02
6	was the result of those discussions?	04:22:06
7	A. The result of those discussions was that the	04:22:08
8	system that we believe was in place prior to that,	04:22:12
9	where compensation was organized and accounted for by	04:22:17
10	the individual supervisor, was probably the best system	04:22:26
11	to move forward on.	04:22:30
12	Q. So at that time, you discontinued the driving	04:22:33
13	bonus that the memo talks about?	04:22:37
14	A. Correct.	04:22:40
15	Q. And other than the driving bonus, have there	04:22:41
16	been other attempts in the time period since the date	04:22:51
17	of that memo to address the issue of drivers who are	04:22:53
18	not being paid for time worked before the official	04:23:00
19	start time?	04:23:03
20	A. I think there was a discussion	04:23:04
21	MS. RUDA: That misstates the testimony. For	04:23:06
22	clarity of the memos, October 2007. Go ahead.	04:23:09
23	THE WITNESS: I think there was a discussion	04:23:17
24	around the time that we received a letter from an	04:23:18
25	employee that questioned our ability to adequately	04:23:21
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#### CERTIFICATION OF DEPOSITION OFFICER

I, MARY E. GARLAND, duly authorized to administer oaths pursuant to Section 2093(b) of the California Code of Civil Procedure, do hereby certify that the witness in the foregoing deposition was duly sworn by me to testify to the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth in the within-entitled cause; that said deposition was taken at the time and place therein stated; that the testimony of said witness was thereafter transcribed by means of computer-aided transcription under my direction; that the foregoing is a full, complete and true record of said testimony. And that the witness was given an opportunity to read and correct said deposition and to subscribe to the same.

I further certify that I am not of counsel or attorney for either or any of the parties in the foregoing deposition and caption named, nor in any way interested in the outcome of the cause named in said caption.

MARY E. GARLAND, CSR 4721

# **EXHIBIT B**

Jose Ramirez December 20, 2012

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 1 FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 2 3 ---000---4 JOSE RAMIREZ, LUIS GOMEZ, and 5 MARCK MENA ORTEGA, on behalf of themselves and all other persons 6 similarly situated, 7 Plaintiffs, No. C 12-04590 JSC ) 8 vs. GHILOTTI BROS, INC., a corporation; ) 9 GHILOTTI BROTHERS CONSTRUCTION, INC., a corporation, and DOES 10 1 through 50, inclusive, Defendants. 11 12 13 DEPOSITION OF 14 JOSE RAMIREZ 15 SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA 16 December 20, 2012 17 18 19 20 ATKINSON-BAKER, INC. 21 COURT REPORTERS www.depo.com 22 800-288-3376 23 REPORTED BY: CORAL COREY, CSR NO. 10699 24 25 FILE NO: A60B7DD

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1	Q. And what about Romero, to your knowledge does 11:45:15
2	he still work at the company?
3	A. Yes. I want to add something.
4	Q. Sure.
5	A. I remember now. I went into the refinery
6	under a false pretense.
7	Q. Okay. Let's talk okay. So hold onto that
8	thought. Okay. I'm going to write down the words "false
9	pretense" so that I remember to ask you about this, but let
10	me finish my other line of questioning.
11	The times when you did not take lunch breaks, when
12	you worked on Ken Pagan's crew at the refinery, were you
13	paid for that time, to your knowledge?
14	A. No.
14 15	Q. Do you know what a pay discrepancy form is? 11:47:10
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15 16 17 18	Q. Do you know what a pay discrepancy form is? 11:47:10  A. Yes.  Q. Did you ever submit and these paid  discrepancy forms you've heard us discuss it in other
15 16 17 18	Q. Do you know what a pay discrepancy form is? 11:47:10  A. Yes.  Q. Did you ever submit and these paid  discrepancy forms you've heard us discuss it in other  depositions, correct?
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1	did not put down all of the days that had been worked.	1:48:07
2	Q. And so the purpose of the form was for you to	
3	let the company know that there was something short about	
4	your paycheck, correct?	
5	MS. MUSELL: Misstates testimony. You can answer.	
6	THE WITNESS: Yes.	
7	MS. RUDA: Q. Did you ever submit a payroll	
8	discrepancy form to be paid for your missed lunch breaks?	
9	A. No.	
10	Q. Not just when you worked with Ken Pagan but at	
11	any time from 2008 forward?	
12	A. Can you repeat the question.	
13	Q. And I'm expanding the question, not just when	
14	you worked with Ken Pagan, but at any time from 2008	
15	forward, have you ever submitted a payroll discrepancy form	11:50:40
16	to be paid for a missed 30-minute meal break?	
17	A. No. One time there was a that I filled out	
18	a form to get paid for some hours that I had not been paid	
19	for, and with the supervisor Bob Hanna, I gave him the form	
20	and in return wait, I actually went to the company	
21	because I didn't get paid. I went to see Frank Palagi.	
22	Q. And we're actually going to talk about that,	
23	the time that you submitted the discrepancy form to Bob	
24	Hanna and that you had an issue and it was later paid.	
25	We're going to talk about that.	
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1	THE WITNESS: Yes, but the end of the day the 1	7:07:32
2	supervisor asked me how much I wanted to be paid, if 10	
3	hours or how many.	ļ
4	MS. RUDA: Q. Okay.	
5	A. And I told him that he was the supervisor, and	
6	I didn't know how many hours he was going to pay me.	į
7	Q. Did you tell him I want to be paid for 10	
8	hours?	
9	A. He told me if I would accept 10 hours, and I	
10	answered, I didn't know, because he was the supervisor, and	
11	I told him you're the one who has to know how many hours you	
12	have to pay me.	i
13	Q. Do you think maybe he was asking you because	
14	he wanted to know how many hours you had worked?	
15	MS. MUSELL: Objection. Calls for speculation.	7:08:47
16	THE WITNESS: No, because we worked the eight	
17	hours, and he was referring to the driving.	
18	MS. RUDA: Q. So is it possible that on 2428 that	
19	you were paid for four hours of driving time? I'm sorry,	
20	2483.	
21	MS. MUSELL: Objection. Calls for speculation.	
22	THE WITNESS: When I left Ukiah, he had suggested	
23	he'll pay me 10 hours, and I replied it was for him to pay	
24	me whatever he wanted to pay me.	
25	And on that day, Bulmaro, he brought in another	
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1 2	truck, and he told me that he wasn't paid for the four hours.	17:09:48
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3	MS. RUDA: Q. But you were paid, correct?	ļ
4	MS. MUSELL: Misstates testimony.	
5	THE WITNESS: When I left Ukiah, we agreed on 10	
6	hours, he had said. I didn't accept that. I left the truck	
7	at the yard in San Rafael. When I was going home in my car	
8	on the Richmond Bridge, he called me and told me I'm going	
9	to pay you the four hours, because we have worked together	
10	before, and he wanted to pay me the four hours.	1
11	MS. RUDA: Q. For your for the time, because it	
12	took you two hours to drive up and two hours to drive down,	
13	correct?	
14	A. Yes.	1
15	Q. Who was this?	17:11:28
16	A. Bradley Gary.	
17	Q. Gary Bradley?	
18	A. Gary. I want to add something as well.	
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	Q. Go ahead.	
20	Q. Go ahead.  A. The travel was very long, and some of the	
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<ul><li>21</li><li>22</li><li>23</li><li>24</li></ul>	A. The travel was very long, and some of the workers were not happy going there with their own cars because the gasoline was very expensive.  So they decided to use a van that is used for many people, and he assigned me to drive it, but they were not	

#### REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

I, CORAL COREY, CSR No. 10699, Certified Shorthand Reporter, certify;

That the foregoing proceedings were taken before me at the time and place therein set forth, at which time the witness was put under oath by me;

That the testimony of the witness, the questions propounded, and all objections and statements made at the time of the examination were recorded stenographically by me and were thereafter transcribed;

That the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of my shorthand notes so taken.

I further certify that I am not a relative or employee of any attorney of the parties, nor financially interested in the action.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated this

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CORAL COREY, C.S.R. No. 10699

# **EXHIBIT C**

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1	Q. From 2008 to 2011, did any supervisor ever let	16:47:58
2	you leave a job site early to return a truck so that	16:48:04
3	you could be back at the yard by 3:30?	16:48:20
4	MS. GRUNFELD: Objection. Overbroad.	16:48:24
5	THE WITNESS: At times.	16:48:29
6	MS. RUDA: Q. Can you tell me how many times?	16:48:30
7	A. Not many.	16:48:36
8	Q. More than five times?	16:48:38
9	A. From five to ten times.	16:48:45
10	Q. Okay.	16:48:48
11	A. That's what I remember.	16:48:54
12	Q. Okay. So from 2008 to 2011, can you recall	16:48:55
13	times when a foreman has let you leave a job site early	16:49:01
14	because you picked up a truck in the morning?	16:49:07
15	MS. GRUNFELD: Objection. Asked and answered.	16:49:21
16	MS. RUDA: Q. The last question was because	16:49:24
17	you were returning a truck. This question is because	16:49:25
18	you picked up a truck.	16:49:33
19	A. What was the question?	16:49:44
20	Q. So the question is; between 2008 to the	16:49:45
21	present, has any foreman let you leave the job site	16:49:50
22	early because you had picked up a truck in the morning	16:49:57
23	from the from the yard?	16:50:08
24	MS. GRUNFELD: Objection. Vague and	16:50:15
25	ambiguous. Overbroad and compound.	16:50:17
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1	THE WITNESS: At times, yes.	16:50:22
2	MS. RUDA: Q. Can you give me an estimate of	16:50:24
3	how many times?	16:50:26
4	A. I have been allowed to leave early to go to	16:50:33
5	the yard?	16:50:36
6	Q. Yes.	16:50:38
7	A. Not many, but some ten times, more or less.	16:50:44
8	Q. Okay. I'm going to mark the next exhibit.	16:50:49
9	This is Exhibit 3.	16:51:52
10	[Whereupon, Deposition Exhibit 3, a	16:51:52
11	Payroll Discrepancy Report and payroll	16:51:52
12	records Bates stamped GBI-04558 and	16:51:52
13	PL0300 to PL0301 was marked for	16:51:52
14	identification.]	16:51:59
15	Please review and tell me when you're ready.	16:51:59
16	A. (DOCUMENT REVIEW.) Yes.	16:52:03
17	Q. Do you know what this document is?	16:52:07
18	A. This is payroll, no?	16:52:14
19	Q. Right. Do you recall receiving a copy of this	16:52:18
20	form with your weekly paycheck?	16:52:22
21	A. Yes.	16:52:32
22	MS. GRUNFELD: Vague and ambiguous as to time.	16:52:32
23	MS. RUDA: Q. And the answer is what?	16:52:37
24	A. Yes.	16:52:39
25	Q. And do you recall receiving one of these	16:52:42

1	Q. Okay, so maybe it's my mistake, and I'm sorry.	17:01:39
2	What I wanted to know was; when you submitted this	17:01:46
3	discrepancy form, was there ever a time that you	17:01:49
4	submitted for additional hours on the discrepancy form	17:01:58
5	where you were then not paid for those additional hours	17:02:09
6	on a second check?	17:02:12
7	A. No.	17:02:18
8	Q. Thank you. It was my mistake for	17:02:19
9	clarification. Four.	17:02:22
10	[Whereupon, Deposition Exhibit 4, a	17:02:22
11	Collection of payroll discrepancy	17:02:22
12	reports was marked for identification.	17:03:49
13	A. (DOCUMENT REVIEW.)	17:03:49
14	Q. Do you recognize the documents that I've	17:04:12
15	attached as Exhibit 4?	17:04:16
16	A. Yes.	17:04:21
17	MS. GRUNFELD: Object to "recognize" as vague	17:04:21
18	and ambiguous.	17:04:23
19	MS. RUDA: Q. Are these other discrepancy	17:04:27
20	forms that were submitted for you?	17:04:30
21	A. Yes.	17:04:35
22	Q. Did you ever submit a discrepancy form for	17:04:38
23	driving time?	17:04:46
24	A. No.	17:04:53
25	Q. Why not?	17:05:00
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1	A. Because they are not paid.	17:05:03
2	Q. How did you know that?	17:05:07
3	A. Because no one is paying for it. That's what	17:05:10
4	I think.	17:05:15
5	Q. Did anybody ever tell you that?	17:05:16
6	A. Several laborers who drive.	17:05:21
7	Q. Did any foreman ever tell you that?	17:05:28
8	A. That driving is not paid?	17:05:35
9	Q. Yes.	17:05:39
10	A. They must know. They do not pay for it.	17:05:42
11	Q. My question is; did anybody ever tell you	17:05:46
12	that?	17:05:49
13	A. No, because in 2007 they did pay. They would	17:05:56
14	give you a separate check. And all of a sudden, that	17:06:04
15	was stopped.	17:06:09
16	Q. Did anybody ever tell you that you could not	17:06:11
17	submit a discrepancy form for driving time?	17:06:15
18	A. No.	17:06:25
19	Q. Did you ever submit any discrepancy payroll	17:06:27
20	discrepancy form for a missed meal break?	17:06:32
21	A. I would do that the least.	17:06:53
22	Q. So the answer is no?	17:06:56
23	A. No. No. Excuse me.	17:06:58
2 4	Q. Did you ever submit any discrepancy form for	17:07:01
25	missed rest breaks?	17:07:06

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I, ORA B. KOHN, Certified Shorthand Reporter, do hereby certify:

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I further certify that I am neither counsel for, nor related to, any parties to said proceedings, nor in any way interested in the outcome thereof.

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Dated: December 26, 2012

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# **EXHIBIT D**

### A60B7DE LUIS GOMEZ DECEMBER 19, 2012

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1	Q. And the times that you went to Frank Pillagi	14:33:41
2	with a discrepancy, were you paid?	14:33:47
3	A. Yes. Frank would say if you worked, you're	14:33:55
4	going to get your money. And that's where he would	14:34:06
5	check and call the foreman, and that's when I heard the	14:34:11
6	conversation that the foreman would be in agreement	14:34:22
7	that I worked that time. And then he would sign, and	14:34:24
8	he would give it to the payroll lady.	14:34:31
9	Q. Did you ever tell Mr. Pillagi that you had	14:34:36
10	missed meal breaks and that you had not been paid for	14:34:45
11	those missed meal breaks?	14:34:56
12	A. No. Just when I returned the form, it would	14:35:01
13	be for the hours that I was at the job site.	14:35:12
14	Q. Did you ever tell Mr. Pillagi Pillagi	14:35:15
15	excuse me that you had missed rest breaks that you	14:35:24
16	had not been paid for?	14:35:31
17	A. As I mentioned before, no.	14:35:35
18	Q. Did you ever tell Mr. Pillagi that you were	14:35:43
19	being asked to drive and that you were not being	14:35:46
20	compensated for that time?	14:35:52
21	A. Not to him, but on one occasion, it was for,	14:36:01
22	like, two or three months that we received checks for	14:36:11
23	driving, so it was a separate check. But that just	14:36:15
24	lasted for two months or three.	14:36:26
25	Q. Do you remember when that occurred?	14:36:30
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5	Reporter, do hereby certify:
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15	for, nor related to, any parties to said proceedings,
16	nor in any way interested in the outcome thereof.
17	In witness whereof, I have hereunto
18	subscribed my name.
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# **EXHIBIT E**



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February 25, 2013

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Re:

JMBM Collective-Action Notice Administration Services Estimate

Dear Sean.

We appreciate the opportunity to submit this proposal and cost estimate for administration services pertaining to your Collective-Action Notice.

For purposes of our proposal, we have assumed that we would mail a single-postcard Summary Notice to approximately 100 potential class members. KCC will process any filed Opt-ins.

Our base administration services include data and forms management, the printing and mailing of notices to the potential class members, processing of returned undeliverable mail, processing all opt-ins filed and drafting a declaration pertaining to our notice procedures. In addition, we will provide live telephone support for the potential class members to call for more information about this lawsuit. Assuming no substantial increase in the number of potential class members to be noticed, we will charge a flat rate of \$2,000 for these services.

With experience administering more than 1,500 settlements, KCC provides high-quality and cost-effective class action administration services including pre-settlement consulting, settlement funds escrow, class member data management, legal notification, call center support, claims administration as well as disbursement and tax reporting services. We are a knowledgeable partner who proactively works with you throughout the settlement administration process and are well-positioned to handle your matter immediately.

Our domestic infrastructure, the largest in the industry, includes a 900-seat call center and document production capabilities that handle hundreds of millions of documents annually. Last year, our disbursement services team distributed \$250 billion to payees in the form of 29 million checks and 11 million electronic transfers.

Please contact me with any questions regarding the enclosed case assumptions and cost estimate. We will hold this proposal and estimate open for ninety days from the date of this letter. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Patrick J. Ivie

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